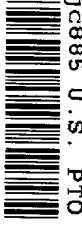


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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) is the nonprovisional utility patent application of:

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Enclosed are:

- Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (16 pages).
- Formal drawings (12 sheets, Figures 1-12C).
- Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pages).
- Assignment of the invention to NISSAN MOTOR CO., LTD..
- Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet.
- Claim for Convention of Priority and priority document.
- Information Disclosure Statement.
- Form PTO-1449 with copies of 1 listed reference(s).

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